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POLICY TO CHECK BRAIN-DRAIN
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has taken or proposes to take any step to formulate an appropriate and effective policy to check the constant brain-drain from different fields; (b if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): The Union Government has taken several measures from time to time to minimize the outflow of professionals from various fields and also to attract Scientists and Technologists settled abroad to return to India.Some of these measures are:-

(i) Setting up of more centres of excellence/advanced studies in the universities and academic institutions.

(ii) Science and Technology based training for entrepreneurial development.

(iii) Invitation to distinguished men and women of Indian origin settled abroad for short term technical assignments to assist in frontier and emerging areas of Science and Technology.

(iv) Increasing the number and amount of fellowships for M.Tech. Programme as a result of which more students have started joining the M.Tech Programme.

(v) Early Faculty Induction Programme which aims at attracting bright and young undergraduate students in Engineering and Technology/Pharmacy/Architecture, etc to take teaching as their career.

(vi) Appointment of NRIs and persons of Indian Origin in the permanent faculty positions in the IITs.

(vii) IITs have also established Innovation and Incubation Centres which encourage students to start their own enterprises after graduation.

(viii)Encouraging graduate students to continue work on sponsored research projects which have been funded by various agencies.

(ix)Conduct of counseling sessions for career options of students and taking necessary steps for recruitment of students in Indian industries and organizations registered in India.

(c): Does not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.